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Overall Evaluation – Good Condition

- Howarth was located near an active church whose members regularly volunteer to clean the play area.
- Equipment was newer and shock absorbent surfaces were in place.
- Four of the six swings were missing during the initial visit. In a follow up visit six weeks later, two of six swings in place were broken.
- Grass was recently mowed during both visits.
- No trash noted inside the play area.



The playground had shock-absorbent material around and under the play equipment. However, the swing set was missing two swings.

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Newer plastic play equipment on the play area lined with shock absorbent material.



Picnic area with working grill and table. Grass was cut.